It is Sunday the 18th January 2009 and here is ANARTS with our weekly RTTY news bringing you - cast 1527.
Views expressed in this news bulletin are not necessarily those of the Broadcast Officer, the Relay Officers, or of the Society.
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A.N.A.R.T.S. News Bulletin 1527 for 18th January 2009
IPS Weekly Solar and Geophysical Report for 9th to 15th January, issued on 16th January by the IPS Radio and Space Services.
SUMMARY

Date	09	10	11	12	13	14	15
10cm flux	70	71	70	69	71	71	71
AFr index	4	2	1	0	2	6 (	5 estimated)
Aaus index	6	4	3	2	6	7 (	6 estimated)
T index	-16	-26	-9	-30	-16	-8	-8

Solar flare activity was very low all week.
Geomagnetic activity observed for the Australian Region was quiet, except for 14th when activity was quiet to unsettled.
Southern Australian Ionospheric F2 critical frequencies were near predicted to 20 per cent depressed on 9th, 11th and 15th; depressed 15 to 20 per cent on 10th; depressed 20 per cent on 12th; and near predicted on 13th and 14th.
Forecast for 16th to 22nd January
Solar activity should be low.
Geomagnetic activity should see quiet to unsettled conditions.
Frequencies should be near predicted monthly values, with variable depressions possible mainly in the Equatorial/North Australian regions.
Courtesy of the IPS Radio and Space Services
Summary by Pat Leeper VK2JPA

RTDX0115 RTTY DX
VK2SG RTTY DX NOTES FOR WEEK ENDING 15 JANUARY 2009 (BID RTDX0115)
This week our information came from DJ3IW, GU0SUP, I5FLN, UT5DX,
and DX Summit. Thanks to all!
Friday 9
0627- 7040 E44M
1024-24921 9K2YM
1041-18102 E44M
1215-18105 YI1RAZ
1226-14085 S21RC
1314- 7041 HL4RE
1510-14082 5R8GZ
1514-14091 E44M
1640-10139 TF3PPN
2003-14083 ZS2Y
2336- 7040 ET3SID
Saturday 10
0616-14086 S21RC
0620-14082 5B4AHL
0623-10140 E44M
0624-18103 4Z4TL
0638-10141 TS7C
0716-14080 5R8GZ
0732- 7040 E44M
0757-18103 4L1FP
0825-18103 EA6BH
0840-18102 E44M
0855-14088 TS7C
1015-14085 S21RC

1127-21082 TS7C
1205-14086 YI1RAZ/QRP
1234-14088 TS7C
1418-14085 LX8RTTY
1505-14080 SV9COL
1510-14082 J5UAP
1516-14081 5R8GZ
1522- 7042 S21RC
1533- 7041 TA2MW
1553- 7041 VK6IR
1659-14088 EA8/DL3KVR
1702-14082 PZ5RA
1722-10142 TS7C
1831- 7038 TS7C
2113-10141 TS7C
2216- 7038 TS7C
2342-18104 CX4AAJ
Sunday 11
0009- 7038 TS7C
0202-10140 TS7C
0748-18104 UK9AA
0758-18103 ZS2DL
0831- 7038 TS7C
0915-18100 5R8GZ
0935-18108 VR2XMT
1007-14082 LX8RTTY
1024-18102 TS7C
1104-24921 Z29KM
1134-18112 Z29KM
1159-14086 TS7C
1249-14084 5R8GZ
1258-14083 TA2MW
1340-14084 VR2XMT
1359-14084 EP3SMH
1433-10141 TS7C
1440-18102 TS7C
1448-14081 J28KO
1930- 3584 TS7C
2146-14081 TG9AHM
2246-10136 CO8LY
Monday 12
0031-10140 TS7C
0056- 3584 TS7C
0232- 7056 KH6FI
0329-10142 TS7C
1304-18103 TS7C
1408-14085 P43JB
1458-21082 TS7C
1736- 7041 TF3GC
1901- 3586 TS7C
1925- 7038 TS7C
2141-10141 TS7C
2253- 7035 SV9OFS
Tuesday 13
0004- 3585 TS7C
0008- 7038 TS7C
0009- 1848 TS7C
0356- 7041 KH6FI
0654-10141 TS7C
0723-14083 TS7C
0853-28082 TS7C
0934-24922 TS7C
1337-18101 J28KO

1343-18103 TS7C
1417-14100 SV9OFS
1506-18101 J5UAP
1544-14086 LX8RTTY
1637-14088 TI8II
1706- 7039 TS7C
1807- 3584 TS7C
1949-14084 ZS2Y
1959-14081 5R8GZ
2016- 1840 TS7C
2111-14081 5R8GZ
2229-14081 TG9AHM
2234-10138 FM5AA
Wednesday 14
0019- 1840 TS7C
0027- 3588 TS7C
0045- 7036 TS7C
0810-14082 J5UAP
0714-10141 TS7C
0814-14082 TS7C
0915-28082 TS7C
1106-24922 TS7C
1129-14085 ZB2GG
1133-18104 XU7ABN
1231-18102 TS7C
1340-14081 EA6TT
1345-14082 EK6TA
1715- 7038 TS7C
1724-14084 5R8GZ
1747- 3584 TS7C
1751-14086 5R4GZ
2334-14082 KL7J
Thursday 15
0021- 3583 TS7C
0203- 7039 TS7C
0650-10140 TS7C
0901-14082 TS7C
1133-18107 ZS8M
1135-10140 TA2MW
1324-14086 J5UAP
1343-14085 TA7/KI6TIU
1354-14084 HP1AC
1400-14084 P40PZ
1504-14082 EK6TA
1546-14084 5R8GZ
1608-14083 EA6NB
1609- 7040 TS7C
1615-14089 TS7C
1837- 1839 TS7C
1928- 7041 SV9COL
2059-10142 CO3TJ
2139-10141 PJ2MI
2201-14088 KL7J
2213- 7041 TS7C
2215-14088 KL7J
The VK2SG RTTY DX NOTES are distributed every week via the
Winlink network, and are also available on the Internet at
URL http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/vk2sg-rtty.
For next week's bulletin, send your bandpass and notes of
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The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 892 - excerpts
3W/XV, VIETNAM
Mike, OM2DX (aka E4/OM2DX, YI9X..etc), is now in Hanoi, and is working for the Embassy of the Slovak Republic. He has obtained a license with the callsigns XV9DX and 3W1M. He is expected to be here the next 3 years and be active on all bands using CW, SSB and the Digi modes. QRNs shown that Mike has been on 40/20/17/15 meters CW this past week. QSL via OM3JW.
A3, TONGA (EME DXpedition Report)
Paul, A35RK, informs that he has been talking to Bob, ZL1RS (now signing as A35RS), on the phone because he was a little concerned about him due to some nasty weather and wind storms coming out of the NW. Bob is situated on the NW end of the island. Paul states, "Bob said that he has had some trouble keeping his antenna pointed, because of the wind, but he's fine and all his equipment is working OK. Bob said that he has made about 60 2m EME contacts so far."
ATTENTION 6M DXERS
Justin, K9MU, has an interesting
North American 50 MHz Beacon Map available at: http://www.k9mu.com/map/
Also, visit his VHF Web page at: http://www.k9mu.com
DXCC NEWS
Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL DXCC Manager, reports that the following is approved for DXCC credit:
T61AA - Afghanistan
PLEASE NOTE: The license for this operation has been updated. Anyone having this operation rejected recently can send an E-mail to dxcc@arrl.org to be placed on the list for an update.
FREE HAM MAGAZINES
* HAM-MAG - There are 26 pages of interesting stuff to read. All in color and PDF format. HAM-MAG states it is "The First 'E-magazine' for ham radio operators. A magazine without paper is a tree saved!" Check it out at:
http://ham.france.free.fr/crbst_18.html
* Richard Moseson, W2VU, CQ Amateur Radio Editorial Director, announced on January 8th, the following:
"WorldRadio Online - E-mail Notification List Established --
A new e-mail list has been established to notify readers of the availability of each new issue of 'WorldRadio' magazine, which is converting to a free online-only publication ('WorldRadio Online') as of its February 2009 issue. 'WorldRadio' subscribers and any other interested people may sign up for the list at:
http://mailman.sunserver.com/mailman/listinfo/WorldRadio-L
Direct links to this signup page will be posted on both the CQ magazine website at
http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com
and the old 'WorldRadio' website at
http://www.wr6wr.com/
Monthly e-mail alerts will include highlights of each new issue, along with instructions and hotlinks for connecting with the online issue. The e-mail addresses will be used only by CQ Communications, Inc., and will not be rented or sold. Each issue of 'WorldRadio Online' will be posted in PDF format, permitting readers the choice of browsing articles online or downloading the issue to their own computers to read at their convenience or even to print out in part or in whole. Access to 'WorldRadio Online' will be free of charge. Most of WorldRadio's columnists will continue to write for the new online edition. In November 2008, CQ Communications, Inc. purchased 'WorldRadio' upon the decision of founding publisher Armond Noble, N6WR, to retire and sell the magazine."
HEADING TO THE CARIBBEAN (Maritime Mobile)
John, ZS1JNT, left Cape Town, South Africa (in mid-December), in the new catamaran called "Oceans Dream 2" heading towards the Carribean. The 40 ft. catamaran is headed to Chaguaramas, Trinidad & Tobago. John will be operating Maritime Mobile under the callsign ZS1JNT/MM. He recently left James Bay, St. Helena, on January 7th. Look for him to be active on 20 meters after 1800z, possibly on 14297.5 kHz (or between 14235-14250 kHz). Read his interesting blog at:
http://www.sailblogs.com/member/deliveries

You can also track him at:
http://shiptrak.org/?callsign=ZS1JNT&filter=60
IOTA NEWS
EU-038. During the annual Dutch PACC Contest, members of the PA3FKN PACC Team will activate the Island of Ameland, one of the West Frisian Islands off the north coast of the Netherlands. It consists mostly of sand dunes. "This is a good opportunity for island chasers to contact EU-038 on all bands, propagation permitting", according to Gerben, PG5M. The PA3FKN PACC Team members are: Bote/PA0BVD, Aloys/PA3DAT, Wietse/PA3DDJ, Berend/ PA3FAL, Eric/PA3FKN, Douwe/PD0RXP, Laurens/PD3LHS, Andries/ PE1PIX, Peter/PE1PIX, Joeri/PE5JW, Gialt/PE1OLM and Gerben/ PG5M. As this is not a permanent contest location, all equipment has to be transported to the island and installed and setup just before the contest.
The list of equipment is extensive, including 8 transceivers, 13 antenna configurations, masts, more than 2 km of coax cable, etc. which altogether is more than 2500 KG. For the low bands they will use: 160m - 2 phased verticals, 80m - 4 square dipoles and 40m - 4 square verticals. Time and dates: 1200z, Saturday, February 14th, to 1200z, Sunday, February 15th. For more information on the PACC Contest, visit the official PACC Web site at:
http://pacc.veron.nl
Also, watch the following Web page for updates (especially during the contest) at:
http://www.dx.to
NA-122. Operators Josep/EA3BT and his XYL Nuria/EA3WL will operate as HI9/EA3BT and/or HI9/EA3WL from Cayo Levantado Island in the Dominican Republic's Coastal Islands Group, January 21-27th. Nuria will operates SSB while Josep handles the CW. Activity will be mainly SSB and the Digital modes, on 80-10 meters. They will use a Yaesu FT-900, w/Ameritron ALS-600 amp into a Cushcraft MA5B antenna for 20-10 meters, and a Butternut HF2V for 80/40 meters. QSL via EA3BT.
LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY (Operation Extended)
Members of the "Old Barney Amateur Radio Club (OBARC) have extended their activity as N2OB/150 and N2OB/LH through March 31st, due to popular demand. Operations will be on all bands and modes available. This activity is to celebrate the relighting and the 150th anniversary of the "Barnegat Lighthouse" (nick- named "Old Barney"). See OPDX.889 for more details. N2OB/150 stations will be operating from various locations around "Ocean County". Some operations from the lighthouse property may be possible, and the callsign N2OB/LH will be used which will count for working the lighthouse and IOTA NA-111. A nice color photo QSL is being planned showing the relighting of the lighthouse. QSL via N2OB (SASE requested) or by the Bureau is "OK". Visit the OBARC Web page at:
http://www.obarc.org
LY1000, LITHUANIA (Special Event)
To mark the "Millennium of Lithuania"
(see http://www.lietuvai1000.lt/index.en.htm),
members of the Amateur Radio Society of Lithuania (LRMD) is issuing a special wooden plaque to those who can fulfil the required following conditions:
Contact Special Event Stations with the prefix LY1000 (14 active stations) or other LY stations from 01-JAN-2009 to 31-DEC-2009 and collect 1000 points.
Points are earned as follows:
A. European stations: 150 points for each contact with the Special Event Station LY1000 (At least 5 contacts necessary.) 50 points with other LY station.
B. DX stations: 300 points for each contact with the Special Event Station LY1000 (At least 3 contacts necessary.) 100 points with other LY station.
Applications deadline - December 31, 2010. Please send certified list of contacts (no QSL please) and payment to the LRMD Award Manager. Please give your E-mail address with your application, in case they have to contact you by E-mail.
QRP NEWS
The 2009 QRP Challenge is now going on as of January 1st. The event is to "Promote QRP portable operations with 'light' equipment, as well as the longest distance in kilometres with as few watts as possible." For details, visit the Web page at:
http://qrpfr.free.fr/challenge/index_gb.php

S2, BANGLADESH (Reminder)
The St. Martin's Island, Teknaf, Bangladesh, operation will take place this week between January 16-22nd. The callsign will be S21DX. The six main operators will be: S21RC (Fazlay Rabby), S21AM (Manjurul Haque), S21DM (DM Hemayet), S21S (Sohel Awrangzeb), S21RO (Rasedul Islam) and S21SA (Sayra Shahlin, YL). QSL Manager will be EB7DX (www.eb7dx.com). For more details and updates, visit their Web page at:
http://s2iota.eb7dx.com
SV/A, MOUNT ATHOS (Topband)
Monk Apollo, Sv2ASP/A, has been showing up on 160 meters. He was on 1843 kHz at between/around 0545-0615z on December 29th, and between/around 0538-1612z on January 9th. He "may" show up again between/around the same time this week. Agelos, SV3RF, states, "Although he uses a low dipole barefoot he hears quiet Well, being in an area free of noise."
TO4, REUNION ISLAND (AF-016)
Daniel, F5LGQ, will be active as TO4IPA between January 13-31st.
TS7, TUNISIA (Update/IOTA Op)
Members of the France Provins ARC (F6KOP) and some international operators are now active from Kerkennah Island (AF-073) using the callsign TS7C until January 19th. The team had some problems with customs with some of the transmitters, but by the time you read this, they should have all the stations (six) on the air. QSL via Sylvain, F4EGD, either direct or by the REF-Union Bureau (Please only via this bureau). More details are available on the DXpedition's Web site at:
http://www.ts7c.net
VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS (Reminder/Update/YL Op!)
Just a reminder that an international group of YLs will activate the Falkland Islands (SA-002) between January 17-31st. Each operator will be signing with the callsign "VP8YL*", where the third letter of the suffix will be assigned to each YL operator at beginning of the operation. There will be 8 YLs from the following countries active from Falkland Islands:

2 from the UK	1 from Japan
1 from the Netherlands	1 from USA
1 from Italy	1 from Norway
1 from Greece	

ZK2, NIUE (OC-040)
Chris, ZL1CT (GM3WOJ), will be active as ZK2V between May 16th and June 20th. He states that this 5 week DXpedition is not a "Holiday DXpedition" but it aims to give as many stations their first QSO with ZK2 as possible. This is the cyclone season, so operation may be interrupted by electrical storms. Resources are limited, so activity will be mainly on 80/40/20/15 meters using CW and SSB, with some 30/17/12 meter activity and RTTY. Planned operations include entries in the 2009 ARRL CW and Phone Contests. QSL via N3SL. More details will be forthcoming.

The Society can be contacted in the following ways: To Pat VK2JPA via patleeper at optusnet.com.au, or you can drop a line to PO Box 93 Toongabbie NSW 2146.
73â€™s from Pat VK2JPA broadcast Officer.